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HONGKONG, MARCH 21ST, 1910.

We suppose that in these democratic times it is inevitable that there should exist in the Crown Colonies some dissatisfaction with the representation of the community on the Legislative Councils. In Hongkong, as in the other Crown Colonies, complaints have been voiced from time to time, but since the year 1896, when an additional representative was given to the Chinese community and two unofficial members were admitted to the Executive Council, the Colony has accepted the representation as being in the circumstances as satisfactory as it can perhaps be made. It would appear from what has recently been happening in the Crown Colony of Ceylon that the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES has been looking into the question of representation in the Legislative Council in that Colony, and, contrary to the advice of the Governor of the Colony, the right honourable gentleman is trying to introduce changes there which have evoked strenuous opposition on the part of all sections of the European community. The question is one which has an interest for all the Eastern Crown Colonies, and that is our justification for referring to what is happening in Ceylon. So far as we know there is no present intention to order any changes in the constitution of any other Crown Colony, but as it is not more than eighteen months since the SECRETARY OF STATE declared that the Constitution of Ceylon appeared to give as much satisfaction as can reasonably be expected of any form of Government, it will be seen that the views of the

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During the Easter vacation, which commences on Good Friday, the 25th instant, and terminates on Thursday, the 31st instant, the offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Bishop of Victoria asks us to say that he is now residing at St. Paul's College. Mrs. Lander and family left for England by the Macedonia on Saturday. She hopes to return to the Colony early in the autumn of the year.

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Colonial Office on the subject are not fixed and that our constitutions are not as unalterable as the laws of the Medes and Persians. In the short interval which has elapsed since the SECRETARY OF STATE publicly made the declaration to which we have alluded, the Ceylonese have petitioned for representation. Five or six memorials from various bodies, most of them putting forward a plea for the elective principle, have been forwarded to the Colonial Office through the GOVERNOR, but none came from the European community, whose views appear to have been strongly represented to the Colonial Office by the GOVERNOR. There are in Ceylon, Sir HENRY CULLUM pointed out, three distinct European communities—the mercantile, the planting, and the professional and resident European population. Each of these has interests of its own which claim and deserve separate representation. The Civil Servants on the Council hold no brief for planter or for merchant, as the GOVERNOR maintains they do for the natives, among whom the greater part of their lives have been spent, and the promotion of whose welfare is their daily occupation. Thus the three European communities are left to take care of their own interests, and this, the GOVERNOR says, can only do if each of them is represented in the Council by at least one member. Were more than one member allowed to any of these communities, then, and then only, would it be possible, in his opinion, successfully to sustain the proposition that the European population is over-represented upon the Council. These three European communities have enjoyed separate representation on the Council since 1833, and now, to their great surprise, the SECRETARY OF STATE has told them that they are not deserving of more than two, and that in future the representatives of the European community shall not only be reduced to two but be elected instead of being nominated by HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR as heretofore. The case against the disturbance of the constitution very forcibly put in the following extract which we make from a dispatch by the GOVERNOR on the subject:—

"I conceive that it is hardly necessary for me to emphasize to Your Lordship the importance of the interests which are in the hands of the European sections of the community, nor to dwell upon the part which European capacity, enterprise, and energy have played in the development of the resources of the Colony. Ceylon was the possessor of a long and eventful history, and its inhabitants had attained to a comparatively high standard of civilization before the beginning of the Christian era, but peace, prosperity, the development of resources, and the material and educational progress of its people date from a period subsequent to the British occupation. It is essential that the race whose sustained efforts have wrought in less than a century changes and improvements which in all their long history the natives of Ceylon had hitherto been unable to effect, should be, and should continue to be, ably and adequately represented upon the Legislative Council of this Colony. But the SECRETARY OF STATE will otherwise propose to give additional representation to the native community at the expense of the European. A suggestion was made by the GOVERNOR that additional representation of the native community should be accompanied by the appointment of an extra official to the Council, but this did not meet with the SECRETARY OF STATE's approval. Strong protests have been registered by the Chamber of Commerce, the Planters' Association and the general European community against the threatened changes in the Constitution, and the outcome will be awaited with interest not only in Ceylon but in all other Crown Colonies where similar conditions prevail.

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## TELEGRAMS.

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BIG FIRE AT YOKOHAMA.

TOKYO, March 20th  
A fire occurred at Yokohama on Saturday morning which destroyed five hundred houses and rendered 3,000 persons homeless.

JAPAN AND AMERICA.

TOKYO, March 20th  
Reports are persistently circulated that a new America-Japanese understanding has been arrived at, but these are officially denied "in toto."

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ROOSEVELT'S TRIBUTE TO BRITISH RULE.

LONDON, March 19th  
Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, speaking at the Soudan Club, in Khartoum, paid a warm tribute to the work of the British officials in Africa. Any attempt, he said, to upset Great Britain's benevolent regime would be a crime against humanity.

THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

LONDON, March 19th  
The Grand National Steeplechase has resulted as follows:—Jenkinstown ... ... ... 1  
Jerry ... ... ... 2  
Odor ... ... ... 3

Twenty-five ran, and the betting was:—Jenkinstown, 100 to 8; Jerry, 8 to 1; Odor, 100 to 1.

TURKEY'S NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

LONDON, March 19th  
Turkey has placed orders for two battleships at Elswick and Barrow, and for a cruiser at Clydebank. The total contracts amount to five million sterling.

NEW ISSUE OF BRITISH EXCHEQUER BONDS.

LONDON, March 19th  
Twenty-one million five-year 8 per cent. Exchequer bonds were issued to-day at 99 1/2.

THE FUSHIMIS IN PARIS.

LONDON, March 19th  
M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, gave a luncheon to-day to Prince and Princess Fushimi. The Ministers of War and Agriculture were present.

REPUBLICAN REVOLT AGAINST PRESIDENT TAFT.

LONDON, March 19th  
The long simmering revolt of a section of the Republicans against President Taft has broken out.

An all-night sitting of the House has been held to discuss a motion of the insurgents, supported by the Democrats, aiming at the weakening and ultimately the ousting of the all-powerful Speaker, Mr. Cannon.

The House sat for twenty-six hours and then adjourned.

The regular Republicans admit defeat.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C. &amp; M. str. Zafiro left Manila on the 19th inst., and is due here to-day at 6 p.m. The N.Y.K. str. Kanagawa Maru (European Line) left Shanghai on the 19th instant, and is expected here to-morrow.

The P. &amp; O. str. Sardinia left Singapore for this port on the 18th instant, at 5.30 p.m., and is due here on the 23rd instant, at about 4 p.m.

The German str. Borcke left Sandakan on the 18th instant p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

The H.A. Line str. Alzira left Singapore on the 18th instant p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst.

The N.Y.K. str. Hachioji Maru (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 19th instant, and is expected here on the 26th inst.

## PREPARING FOR AN ELECTION.

LONDON, March 20th.

It is announced that the Liberal Whips are spending an exceedingly busy time in perfecting arrangements for an election contest in every constituency.

RUSSIA AND THE DALAI LAMA.

London, March 20th.

St. Petersburg newspapers announce that the Russian reply to the appeal of the Dalai Lama for aid in re-establishing his authority in Tibet will be in general terms.

It will allude to the Russian-British protest to Peking, but will not hold out any real hope to the Dalai Lama.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, March 19th.

IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. W. REES DAVIES  
(ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE).

DISCHARGING AN ORDER OF COURT.

By Teo Cheung Le.

Mr. F. P. Hett, who appeared for debtor, said the last order made in this case was an order discharging debtor, but suspending the discharge for one year and a direction that debtor should report himself at the expiration of that term. Debtor was now before the Court.

In reply to Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Deputy Official Receiver), debtor said he had been doing nothing since the making of the order. His father's administrator had been supporting his (debtor's) wife, and he (debtor) had been dependent on friends and clanmen. He had been receiving between \$30 and \$40 a month.

How do you manage to dress like you do on between \$30 and \$40 a month?—There is nothing stylish about this. These are old clothes.

You have admitted that three years prior to your bankruptcy you spent over \$15,000 on yourself?—Yes, I did.

And you have been able to reduce your expenditure from \$13,000 to \$360 a year?—That is so.

The Official Receiver said there were two grounds on which he should ask that the order be not made absolute. One was the debtor's conduct in bankruptcy. He failed to appear at the expiration of the year—December 4th—and it was now only after he had been written to that he appeared. The other ground was that possibly some property might be realized. Nothing had yet been paid and expenses even could not be covered.

His Lordship—Have any new facts come to your knowledge since the order was made?

The Official Receiver—No, my Lord. I summoned a meeting of creditors for Tuesday last, but none appeared. So they apparently are not interested in the matter.

His Lordship said debtor had given no excuse for not appearing before, and under those circumstances he thought the discharge should be suspended for a further period. He had directly neglected to obey the order of the Court.

Mr. Hett said debtor did not wish to do anything contrary to the orders of the Court. He simply forgot to appear and now came up without any pressure. He (Mr. Hett) submitted that the order discharging debtor and the suspension were absolute orders. The object of the suspension was to see if anything transpired after the order, so that if necessary criminal proceedings could be taken. Debtor believed he had a good claim on his late father's estate. He would like the Official Receiver to commence an action, and if successful all the creditors could be paid in full. The father was a very wealthy man in Hongkong and left a great deal of property. The debtor claimed that the will was a forgery. He and another brother were cut out and the property was divided up among deceased's concubines and other children to the exclusion of debtor. If debtor were discharged he would undoubtedly commence an action for his share in the property, and he would give an undertaking that if successful he would pay his creditors in full.

His Lordship—What are the liabilities?

The Official Receiver—Over \$70,000.

His Lordship—What has been paid?

The Official Receiver—Nothing at all.

Mr. Hett said he did not object to a further suspension if the Official Receiver would say he would commence an action.

The Official Receiver thought the Court ought not to grant a discharge in order to allow debtor to realize certain property. It was the trustee's duty to take any such action.

His Lordship suspended the discharge for a further period of six months.

A VICTIM OF TRADE DEPRESSION.

The Official Receiver stated that the failure was due to depression in trade. The total indebtedness was \$35,000, and a dividend of 8.10 per cent. had been paid. There was a fair prospect of some \$6,000 being recovered from the estate. Debtor had rendered every assistance and should be discharged.

The discharge order was granted and suspended.

THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

The Bandmann No. 1 Opera Company has made an excellent impression in Hongkong by their two performances of "The Arcadians" and Mr. Bandmann, we feel sure, will find that it pays to give us of his best. We think it will be generally agreed that the present Company is the best that has occupied the stage of our theatre for many years. There was scarcely a vacant seat on Saturday—not one we believe which had not been booked—when the Company gave their second performance of "The Arcadians." Throughout the piece the audience, it was evident, were thoroughly enjoying themselves. Mr. Harry Cole is a great favourite as he has ever been, and his tunefulities kept the house convulsed with laughter. The piece, considering the limitations of the stage, was very well mounted, the chorus singing was much above what Hongkong audiences are accustomed to expect from the operatic companies that visit us, while the songs and dances were excellently given. Altogether the cast was an exceptionally strong one, and the pleasure and enjoyment of the house was frequently punctuated by unrestrained laughter or most hearty applause.

The Company to-night stage "Our Miss Gibbs."

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## LOCAL SPORT.

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

POLICE v. CHANGENGOWEE.

Played at Happy Valley on Saturday, this match ended in a win for the Police by 27 runs.

A feature of the game was the remarkably low scores made by both teams. Currie proved a useful bowler to the Changengowee eleven, taking no fewer than six wickets, while the only trundlers for the Police were King and Kerr, the former taking six and the latter four wickets.

Scores and analyses follow:

POLICE.

## RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

Congratulations to the new knight! The secret was well kept and the announcement had a very fine stage effect. It took everybody by surprise, most of all the recipient, but the surprise was an agreeable one.

The knights of Hongkong can now say, "We are seven." Those who are entitled to the use of the honorific are the Governor, the Admiral, the Chief Justice, the Colonial Secretary, Sir Henry Berkeley, Sir Paul Chater, and Sir Hormusjee Mody.

The University takes a more tangible form as the outcome of Wednesday's ceremony. It has passed from the abstract to the concrete, and the hazy notions which many people had on the subject have been dispelled by the illumination of that day giving place to definite and clear opinions. Such a result must be for the benefit of the undertaking.

Holidays every month for the past five months must give the gaffa a favourable impression of Hongkong. November commenced with the King's Birthday, then came December with Christmas, January with the New Year, February with China New Year, and the Races, and March with Easter.

The fine spring mornings with which we have been favoured of late makes one feel glad to be alive. In such an exhilarating atmosphere those bound for Home must experience a little feeling of regret that they are leaving for a place where the weather is so uncertain.

No one will begrudge His Excellency Sir Frederick Luard the holiday which he is to enter upon next month when he leaves for Home. He is without doubt one of the hardest wrought men in the Colony, and no better exponent of British thoroughness is to be found than in our general Governor. We will all wish him bon voyage and hope to see him return in the winter accompanied by Lady Luard.

It was very obliging on the part of the Chinese litigants the other day to supply an instance of swearing on the cook's head at a time when interest in the subject has been aroused by the Oaths Ordinance just passed. The ceremony is a very impressive one. The head of the rooster is cut off and the man making the declaration avers that if his statement be not true he is willing that his head should be cut off as was the cook's head. The cook is a very solemn one in the eye of Chinese, and I have been told that there were occasions when men set out to the temple for the purpose of being sworn on the cook's head, but withdrew at the last moment and admitted that they had been lying.

The American tourists have thronged our thoroughfares during the week and also provided us with some little food for gossip. One of the best stories told of the present lot relates to two American ladies travelling Peakwards. They were seated inside the car and one suddenly rose and walked towards two English ladies who were occupying seats in front. "Say," she addressed them, "I am a stranger in these parts. Will you tell me where you got that hat?" (referring to a big umbrella of a hat) The lady blushed and looked flabbergasted, but her inquisitor continued, "We are getting into warm weather, and I guess we'll need a hat like that." At length the English lady found her tongue. Much to the visitor's disappointment she faltered the reply that the hat had been obtained in London; but, as may be imagined, she said it in a tone which showed that such undue familiarity in a public conveyance was just a little resented.

The incident reminds me of some observations by Madame Yvette Guilbert, who has recently been touring in America and has returned to Europe, as the American papers put it, "her note-book well filled with caustic criticism and her purse bulging with American dollars." The following is a sample of her criticisms:

"Mary Garden comes here, and her Press agent doesn't talk of her singing and acting, but writes a gross column about her twenty-five hats. You weigh Slovok instead of telling what a great tenor he is. A lady Press agent meets me at New York and calls me 'honey,' though I've never seen her before. It's so familiar, like the servants at home. Honey, indeed!"

And Madame Yvette's hands smacked the table angrily, says the reporter. And I daresay the lady in the Peak car also felt like doing a little smacking when the American lady smiling, asked, "Where did you get that hat?"

Even the Chinese hawkers of drawn thread work and brass ware adopted their vocabulary and their prices to the occasion last week when the American visitors were here. Several who had taken up positions indicated that the prices of their wares were two dollars gold, as the case might be, with a distinct nasal accent on the gold. Needless to say, the boom was responsible for the prices having gone up two and three hundred per cent.

The gentleman who promotes gymkhana in Hongkong may be interested to learn that an event at a recent Indian gymkhana was described in the following terms:—"Suffragette Stakes.—Gentlemen in top hats to mount horses, ride up to line opposite their lady partners, who are provided with brickbats (tennis balls). These they will throw at the top hats. First man whose hat is knocked off either by his own or anyone else's partner to win."

One man suggested that it was not cricket to inculcate such ideas in a hitherto unaffected region, but I shudder to think of the feelings of the brave men whose heads support the targets for the feminine William Tell. Some man under the spell of some maiden's fascination might readily volunteer for such a role, but I can't imagine a married man taking the risk.

RICHARD RANDON.

## COMPANY MEETINGS.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

The annual meeting of shareholders in the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., on Saturday morning. Mr. R. Shewan presided, and there were also present: Sir Paul Chater, Dr. J. W. Noble and the Hon. Mr. W. J. Grosson (members of Consulting Committee), Messrs. T. F. Hough, E. T. Bung, E. W. Terry, A. Babington, Fung Shiu Wa, Long Lai Chin, J. A. Young, and J. Robertson (secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts for 1900 have been in your hands since 2nd instant, and you will have seen from them that although our profit on working is slightly larger than that for 1900, we have had to reduce the dividend to seventy-five cents per share on account of various special charges and losses which it is reasonable to suppose will not occur again. The first is a loss of \$18,146 on the Concrete Block and Pipe business. We went into this in the hope of filling a demand for concrete work in place of wood, which perishes so quickly out here from the effects of climate and the attacks of white ants, but although we undertook the work at prices which we knew would leave us no profit, concrete work has not become popular with builders and contractors, and therefore having given it a fair trial we have decided to undertake no further contract work, although, of course, we are in a position to supply at any time concrete blocks and pipes against orders. We understand that a similar attempt to push concrete work at Shanghai has not been a success, although in Manila and the Philippines, generally, concrete buildings are greatly in favour, and considering the many points in favour of concrete our American friends seem in this respect wiser in their generation than we in China. Then we had a claim for loss occasioned by the sparks from one of our engines setting fire to a contractor's matchless, and as we were advised that we would under the special circumstances have no defence in the eye of the law, we compromised at once for about \$10,000. The third and last exceptional item is \$15,633, expenses incurred in obtaining the concession to quarry limestone near Haiphong, principally the salary and expenses of the special agent we sent down for the purpose and legal and other charges. We are now receiving steamer cargoes of this stone regularly, and although we still have the everlasting bills in China to reply on, and the supply there is quite unlimited, I need not enlarge to you upon the advantage of having two strings to our bow in the matter of raw material. In addition to these items, we are able to write off about \$18,000 more for Depreciation than we did the previous year, and until we get our overdraft at the Bank reduced we must continue to put aside as much as we can in this way. Interest paid, \$39,40, is a heavy charge, too, against our profits, but by reducing our debts we shall also reduce this figure and eliminate it altogether in time. Taking all this into consideration I think we are quite justified in anticipating that our next Profit and Loss Account will show a large balance for appropriation, as I see no reason to suppose that our sales will show any falling off—quite the contrary. Looking at the balance sheet you will notice that our expenditure under various headings on Capital Account was much less than before, and I am glad to say, is now at an end, as we do not contemplate any further additions to plant and machinery or buildings, which form a very complete and modern factory as they stand. So far this year we have spent nothing on Capital Account and hope to spend nothing. But all we have spent has been solely with a view to increased efficiency and economy in working costs, for it is a great deal gained if we can reduce the cost of manufacture by even only one cent a barrel, and I am glad to say that we have done much more than that.

The two principal items of expenditure were for a new packing house and godown and new boiler and boiler house for the rotary kilns. If we had not had the first we should simply have had to stop working when over our stocks of finished cement accumulated, and for the latter it enables us to keep up steam on an inferior and cheap coal, whereas formerly it was all we could do to keep the factory running at full pressure on the best Australian coal. The other items were individually small, the largest being \$6,000 for a Hopper barge for removing refuse, ashes, etc., but by it alone we saved \$200 a month. The same remarks apply to the expenditure at Macao, which, however, was not heavy. Nearly all of it was spent on conveyors and crushers to reduce the cost of turning out dry clay and crushing clinker. As I said before, nothing was spent without a clear object of either increased efficiency or reduced cost in view, but we seem now to have done about all we can in these respects. You will also notice that the amounts against Sundry Creditors and Sundry Debtors were unusually large at the end of the year, but it merely happened to be so. Both items have since been reduced in the ordinary course, and to-day we owe Sundry Creditors only \$62,000, while Sundry Debtors owe us \$150,000. The overdraft at our Bankers is still large and will be increased by payment of the dividend, but after that we hope to see it steadily decrease. At Hok Un we bought a small piece of ground, which was offering at a very low figure, and which will be useful to us, as it adjoins the factory, and we have also paid the balance of the purchase money of the property at Canton, title deeds for which are now in the hands of the British Consul. As to the future, and this year's business in particular, our prospects are quite good. Our make is a universal favourite

with engineers and continues to grow in favour with everyone who tries it. We have now a good market for it all over China, the Philippines and the Straits, and if we were ever pushed for more outlets we could, we know, find them still farther afield, but at present it seems that we have quite enough to do with the places I have named and our own local market, which have easily taken all we could turn out.

For the moment our prospects are all that we could wish; we have sold to date more than we did this time last year, and we have just closed a contract for eighty thousand bags for the North. It is always dangerous to prophecy, so I shall only say that I shall be dismally surprised if we do not do at least a little better this year than last. I will now move that the report and accounts as presented to this meeting be adopted and passed, and, when this has been done, I shall be pleased to answer any questions from shareholders.

Mr. HOUGH.—Gentlemen.—After reading the report and accounts for 1900 have been in your hands since 2nd instant, and you will have seen from them that although our profit on working is slightly larger than that for 1900, we have had to reduce the dividend to seventy-five cents per share on account of various special charges and losses which it is reasonable to suppose will not occur again. The first is a loss of \$18,146 on the Concrete Block and Pipe business. We went into this in the hope of filling a demand for concrete work in place of wood, which perishes so quickly out here from the effects of climate and the attacks of white ants, but although we undertook the work at prices which we knew would leave us no profit, concrete work has not become popular with builders and contractors, and therefore having given it a fair trial we have decided to undertake no further contract work, although, of course, we are in a position to supply at any time concrete blocks and pipes against orders. We understand that a similar attempt to push concrete work at Shanghai has not been a success, although in Manila and the Philippines, generally, concrete buildings are greatly in favour, and considering the many points in favour of concrete our American friends seem in this respect wiser in their generation than we in China. Then we had a claim for loss occasioned by the sparks from one of our engines setting fire to a contractor's matchless, and as we were advised that we would under the special circumstances have no defence in the eye of the law, we compromised at once for about \$10,000. The third and last exceptional item is \$15,633, expenses incurred in obtaining the concession to quarry limestone near Haiphong, principally the salary and expenses of the special agent we sent down for the purpose and legal and other charges. We are now receiving steamer cargoes of this stone regularly, and although we still have the everlasting bills in China to reply on, and the supply there is quite unlimited, I need not enlarge to you upon the advantage of having two strings to our bow in the matter of raw material. In addition to these items, we are able to write off about \$18,000 more for Depreciation than we did the previous year, and until we get our overdraft at the Bank reduced we must continue to put aside as much as we can in this way. Interest paid, \$39,40, is a heavy charge, too, against our profits, but by reducing our debts we shall also reduce this figure and eliminate it altogether in time. Taking all this into consideration I think we are quite justified in anticipating that our next Profit and Loss Account will show a large balance for appropriation, as I see no reason to suppose that our sales will show any falling off—quite the contrary. Looking at the balance sheet you will notice that our expenditure under various headings on Capital Account was much less than before, and I am glad to say, is now at an end, as we do not contemplate any further additions to plant and machinery or buildings, which form a very complete and modern factory as they stand. So far this year we have spent nothing on Capital Account and hope to spend nothing. But all we have spent has been solely with a view to increased efficiency and economy in working costs, for it is a great deal gained if we can reduce the cost of manufacture by even only one cent a barrel, and I am glad to say that we have done much more than that.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen.—The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some days, I propose with your permission to follow the usual custom and take them as read. I regret that we have once more to lay before you a report which shows a balance on the debit side. As, however, most of you are no doubt aware, the last year has been about the worst ever experienced in the history of this Colony, and perhaps of the whole world, so far as engineering and shipbuilding are concerned. However, we have been able to secure a fair share of the work offering, although at rates which allowed very small margins of profit, but it has only been by the exercise of the most rigid economy that we have avoided an even greater deficit than that shown in the statement now before you. I am glad to say that we have succeeded in securing a tenant for a small portion of our property at North Point, but regret that, although several tentative enquiries have been received for the purchase or lease of further portions, we have not so far been able to secure a definite offer. We still, therefore, continue to be heavily handicapped by Crown rent, taxes and interest on mortgage on this, which, as you will see, has again been met by a call on the Reserve Fund. Acting on the advice of our Valuator we have written some \$6,700 off the value of our stock of Materials and Plant, which deduction has also been met from the Reserve Fund. This reduction in the value has been

rendered advisable by reason of the changes in the requirements of our business, which make it doubtful whether the old values of some of our stock could be realised and also to meet depreciation on such materials as suffer from climatic influences. Your property, launches and machinery have been maintained in an efficient state of repair, while working expenses have been reduced to a minimum. In view of the nature of the report now submitted for your consideration, the Directors have again decided to forego their fees. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions relating to the business of the meeting.

No questions were asked, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. KINNAIRD seconded, and the motion was agreed to unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. FORBES, seconded by Mr. McCORQUODALE, Mr. A. Rodger was re-elected to the directorate.

It was proposed by Mr. KINNAIRD, seconded by Mr. McCORQUODALE, and agreed that Mr. Percy Smith should be reappointed auditor.

The CHAIRMAN.—That is all the business, gentlemen. Thanks for your attendance.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the National Bank of China, Ltd., was held at the offices of the Bank in Queen's Building on Saturday afternoon. Mr. C. Evans presided, and there were also present: Messrs. Ellis Kadourie, E. D. Haskell, P. C. Potts, Sir Tak Fan, Lau Chiu Pak, Pang Sin Hang, Lau Wing Chung, P. Davidson, B. E. Ellis, Cheung Luk Ping, Chan Ho Shang and P. Loureiro (Acting Manager).

The Acting Manager read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the abridged resolutions, which were passed at a previous extraordinary meeting, should be confirmed as special resolutions:—

That Articles 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, and 127 of the Articles of Association be struck out and cancelled.

That Articles 89, 93 and 154 of the Articles of Association be amended by striking out in Article 89 the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th and last lines of such Article, and by striking out in Article 93 the word "ten" and substituting the word "three," thereto, and by striking out in Article 154 the words "in London" and the words "or Committee" wherever they shall occur in such Article.

Mr. POTTS seconded, and the proposition was agreed to.

It was proposed by the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. LAV CHU PAK, and agreed that the following resolution be adopted:—

That Article 154 of the Articles of Association be struck out and the following Article substituted therefor:—

The Directors shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal, and the Seal shall never be used except in the presence of a Director or of some person appointed by a Managing Director or by the Director who shall sign every instrument to which the Seal is affixed, and every such instrument shall be countersigned by the Secretary or some other person appointed by a Managing Director or by the Directors.

This was all the business.

## COMPANY REPORTS.

## THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report of the board of directors for the half-year ending 31st December, 1900, is as follows:—

Accounts.—The Profit on Working Account amounted to \$51,740.04, as compared with \$42,461.49 for the corresponding period of 1900, being an increase of \$9,278.55.

The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$19,272.49 brought forward from 30th June, 1900, shows a credit balance of \$72,577.01, which the directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a dividend of \$2.60 per share on 12,000 old shares ..... \$31,200.00  
and \$1.50 per share on 8,000 new shares ..... \$10,400.00

To reserve for repairs and renewals account ..... 10,000.00  
To write off furniture and fixtures ..... 15,000.00  
To write off installation of electric light ..... 5,000.00  
To carry forward to new account ..... 1,277.01

72,877.01

Directors.—Dr. J. W. Noble retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.

Audit.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Chairman.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1910.

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the six months ending 31st December, 1900.

To bad debts and refunds ..... \$ 20,87  
To Crown rent ..... 505.92  
To rates ..... 2,612.90  
To fire insurance ..... 3,162.32

To debenture interest on 7.5% ..... \$750,00 at 3 per cent. \$ 22,500.00

Less returned on debentures held by the company ..... 11,341.64

11,158.36

To interest account ..... 7,227.42

To directors' fees ..... 3,200.00

To balance, to be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of \$1,600.00

To transfer to repairs and renewals a/c ..... 10,000.00

To write off furniture and fixtures a/c ..... 15,000.00

To write off installation of electric plant a/c ..... 5,000.00

To carry forward to new a/c ..... 1,277.01

72,877.01

\$101,304.80

By balance from 30th June, 1900 ..... \$70,231.29

Less dividend \$31,958.80

Less transfer to repairs and renewals a/c. 10,000.00

## NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed DAILY PRESS only, and special business matter THE MANAGER.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be discontinued until countermanded.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day Established Ourselves as IMPORT AND EXPORT MERCHANTS, SHIP'S AGENTS, COMMISSION AGENTS, &c., at 25, Des Vaux Road Central.

OLOF WIJK & Co's

East Asiatic Agencies A.B., Ltd.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1910. [433]

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day Appointed Mr. ARTHUR NIELSSON as our Sole MANAGER for Hongkong.

OLOF WIJK & Co's

East Asiatic Agencies A.B., Ltd.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1910. [434]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

## CURRENCY CHARGES ON TELEGRAMS.

SENDERS of TELEGRAMS are hereby notified that from the 1st APRIL, 1910, until further notice, the Currency Charges for Telegrams will be collected at the rate of 60.47 to equal Fc. 1.00.

J. M. BECK, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1910. [435]

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

## HONGKONG STATION, CURRENCY CHARGES ON TELEGRAMS.

SENDERS of TELEGRAMS are hereby notified that from the 1st APRIL, 1910, until further notice the Charges of Telegrams to be collected at the rate of Dollars 0.47 to equal Fc. 1.00.

OLAF NIELSEN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1910. [436]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, AIDEN, EGYPT, MIDDLE EAST, PERSIAN BOSTH, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AMERICA AND SOUTH AFRICAN POSTS.

THE "DEVANHA."

Captain H. Powell, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from London for Bombay &c., on SATURDAY, the 2nd April, 1910, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's ss. "MONGOLIA," 9,605 tons, from Colombo, passengers accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "MANTUA" due in London on the 13th May, 1910.

Passages will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and values of all packages are required.

For further particulars apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1910. [437]

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "AYMERIC."

FROM TACOMA, VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [438]

EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"CATHAY,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining unshipped after the 26th inst. will be subject to removal.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 26th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [439]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1910. [469]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 4th March, 1910. [471]



## ANCIENT AND HONOURABLE FRATERNITY OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

THE Installation of WOR. BRO. THOMAS FREDERICK HOUGH as District Grand Master of Hongkong and South China E.C. will take place at a SPECIAL MEETING of DISTRICT GRAND LODGE to be held at the MASONIC HALL, Zetland Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, 24th March, 1910, at 6 p.m.

The Installation Ceremony will be performed by RIGH. WOR. BRO. SIR C. PAUL CHATER, Kt., C.M.G., District Grand Master of Hongkong and South China E.C.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1910. [471]

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG CLUB.

## NOTICE.

THE SEVENTEENTH DRAWING of SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the HONGKONG CLUB (1896 issue, \$100.00 each) was held in the HONGKONG CLUB HOUSE, on FRIDAY, the 16th March, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:

10 441 818 1193 1643  
18 505 837 1322 1668  
22 534 844 1345 1670  
58 642 850 1372 1715  
80 715 897 1381 1825  
118 733 918 1404 1843  
126 737 938 1406 1855  
128 746 1053 1453 1877  
196 755 1098 1494 1903  
233 771 1122 1496 1961  
260 778 1150 1503 1978  
335 817 1166 1578 1989

and will be Payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on THURSDAY, the 31st March, 1910, in Exchange for surrender of same.

By Order, JAMES CRAIK, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1910. [472]

## NOTICE.

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 2nd April, 1910, at 8 o'clock P.M. Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their Names to—

M. S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [473]

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day authorised Mr. F. H. ARMSTRONG to sign our Firm.

Mr. F. H. HOLYOAK will sign our Firm per Procuration.

REISS & Co.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [473]

## NOTICE.

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

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MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [475]

## NOTICE.

PABST EXTRACT.

THE best TONIC for keeping in perfect health in the Tropics.

It is a Liquid Food in predigested form containing all the bracing, soothng, and tonic effects of the choicest herbs. Nearly Non-alcoholic. Highly recommended by the medical profession in Cases of DEBILITY after MALARIA, from OVERWORK or other causes. ANEMIA, NERVOUSNESS or DYSEPSIA. Samples on Application.

SEIMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1909. [476]

## AUCTIONS

E. G. R. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undesigned have received instructions from The Hon. THE CAPTAIN STEPHENSON OF POLICE, to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 21st MARCH, 1910, at 11 A.M., at The Central Police Station's Compound.

A QUANTITY OF

CLOTHING, OLD METALS, DRIED

BEANS, WEIGHING MACHINES, UM-

BEILLAS, ONE GRAMOPHONE, &c.

ALSO

A NUMBER OF RIFLES AND AMMUNI-

TIONS, SHOT GUNS, REVOLVERS,



## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

ANHUI, British str., 1,325, J. B. Harris, 20th March—Shanghai 17th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
AUSTRIA, Austrian str., 4,830, C. S. Reichel, 16th March—Trieste 27th Jan., General—Sander, Weiler & Co.  
AYMERIC, British str., 2,783, J. Boyd, 18th March—Panay Sound 13th March, General—Dowdell & Co.  
CATHAY, Danish str., 2,643, Kruse, 19th March—Singapore 11th March, General—Melchers & Co.  
CHONGSHING, British str., 25th Mar.—Canton.  
CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 1,171, C. Stewart, 19th March—Shanghai 15th March, General—C. M. S. N. Co.  
COMPETITOR, British str., 2,216, W. W. W. Moham, 16th March—Mauritius 21st Feb., Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
DAGNY, Norwegian str., 883, Solvesen, 19th March—Kwang Yen 16th March, Cement—Stone—Asgard, Thoresen & Co.  
DEVANVONG, Gar. str., 1,035, Fr. Belweld, 20th March—Bangkok 11th March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.  
FRIEDRICH, Norwegian str., 891, O. Andersen, 18th March—Haliphong 13th and Hoihow, 16th March, Rice and General—Asgard, Thoresen & Co.  
HAIYANG, British str., 1,352, Hodges, 20th March—Coast Ports 19th March, General—Douglas, Leprak & Co.  
HELEN, German str., 771, J. Jessen, 20th March—Swatow 19th March, General—Jessen & Co.  
HUCHOW, British str., 20th March—Canton.  
JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 630, A. Hansen, 19th March—Hoihow 16th March, General—Jessen & Co.  
KANSU, British str., 20th March—Canton.  
KIANG PING, Chinese str., 1,222, H. Udden, 19th March—Chinkiang 14th Mar., General—Chinese.  
KWEIYANG, British str., 19th March—Canton.  
LINAN, British str., 19th March—Canton.  
LINCOLN, British str., 2,347, G. S. Jackson, 19th March—New York via Port Natal, 27th Dec., Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.  
MATHILDE, German str., 151, G. Falveen, 18th March—Hoihow 16th March, Coal and Pig—Jessen & Co.  
MEFOO, Chinese str., 20th March—Canton.  
PROTEINIA, British str., 6,105, D. P. Campbell, 19th March—Liverpool via Ports, 5th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.  
VERMO MAFU, Japanese str., 2,350, 20th March—Moj 14th March, Coal—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

## DEPARTURES.

19th March.  
APPAROON APCAR, British str., for Shanghai.  
CHONGSHING, British str., for Canton.  
CLAM, British str., for Karslau.  
CLEVELAND, German str., for Manila.  
HUCHOW, British str., for Canton.  
HURST, British str., for Shanghai.  
MACEDONIA, British str., for Europe, &c.  
MANCHURIA, American str., for Shanghai.  
PHREMPHEN, British str., for Saigon.  
RUIH, British str., for Manila.  
STENTON, British str., for Liverpool.  
TUNGSHING, British str., for Shanghai.  
20th March.  
DAIJIN MAFU, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
GERMANIA, German str., for Amoy.  
HALVARD, Norwegian str., for Hoihow.  
TOCHANG, British str., for Swatow.  
LINAN, British str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.  
The British str. *Lincorn* reports: Fine weather throughout voyage.  
The British str. *Hanway* reports: Light N.E. breeze, overcast and hazy.  
The British str. *Ametric* reports: Fine weather with moderate to strong winds and at times high seas.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

March 19th.  
KOWLOON DOCK—H.F.M.S. *Patria*, *Rangoon*, *H.M.S. Janus*, *Homing*, *Krausberg*, *Haiton*.  
TAIKOO DOCK—Union Water Boat No. 6 *Huangang*, *Puiling*, *Kwang*.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.  
STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"AUSTRIA," Captain Reichel, will leave for the above places TO-DAY, the 21st inst.  
This steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, electric light, carries a doctor and stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents, Princes' Building, Hongkong, 21st March, 1910. [3]

For SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras and Mauritius.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR," Captain S. H. Belsen, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents, Hongkong, 17th March, 1910. [414]

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharfs "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

## SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yards. 4. From Naval Yards to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	BERTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SUNDA.	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Petars.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 23rd inst.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP.	FLINTSHIRE.	Brit. str.	—	G. C. Cundy.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 1st April.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DEVANHA.	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd April, at Noon.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP.	GLAMORGANSHIRE.	Brit. str.	—	H. C. Norris.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 21st April.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIK PORTS.	YEDDO.	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 25th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAMETA.	Ger. str.	—	Muller.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAKONIA.	Ger. str.	—	Bahle.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KANAWA MARU.	Jap. str.	—	J. Nagao.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SLAVONIA.	Ger. str.	—	Habel.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th inst.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TOKIN.	Frenc str.	—	Charbonnel.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU.	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SPERIA.	Ger. str.	—	Fee.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MITAZAKI MARU.	Jap. str.	—	T. Mural.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th April, at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KITANO MARU.	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th April, at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINCESS ALICE.	Ger. str.	—	P. Grosch.	MELCHERS & Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NIPPON.	Aus. str.	—	E. Tarabochia.	SANDER, WIELER & Co., Ltd.	On 26th inst., P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SIKH.	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	DACRE CASTLE.	Brit. str.	—	—	ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.	On 25th April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	STRATHSPEY.	Am. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOME & Co.	On 24th April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VANCOUVER, B.C. TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN.	2 m.	—	J. Boyd.	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 25th April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	1 m.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 26th inst., at 7 A.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN.	—	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 24th May, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	YOKOHAMA & KORE.	—	—	S. Ishikawa.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INABA MARU.	Jap. str.	—	K. Kawada.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th April, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TAICHA MARU.	Jap. str.	—	H. Yamamoto.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CALLAO IQUITQUE, &c., VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	—	1 m.	G. W. Eddy.	TOYOKISEN KAISHA	On 27th April, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CHANGSHA.	Brit. str.	—	D. Lenz.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND.	Ger. str.	—	T. Sekine.	MELCHERS & Co.	On 25th inst., at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NIKTO MARU.	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th April, at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NIKTO MARU.	Jap. str.	—	H. Raegener.	MELCHERS & Co.	On 13th May, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NIKTO MARU.	Jap. str.	—	Rose Core.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 2nd April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NIKTO MARU.	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	WAKASA MARU.	Jap. str.	—	N. Nielsen.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th April, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TULITAP.	Dut. str.	—	P. J. van Emmereek.	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	Quick despatch.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KWEIYANG.	Brit. str.	1 m.	Dowson.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CHONGSHING.	Brit. str.	—	V. McClymont Liddell.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HUOJOW.	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Forsyth.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AUSTRIA.	Aus. str.	—	Raietich.	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	To-day.
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MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ANHUI.	Brit. str.	1 m.	Owen Jones, R. N. R.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st inst., at 8 A.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SHANGHAI.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SHANGHAI.	—	—	Block.	MELCHERS & Co.	About 25th inst.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SHANGHAI.	—	—	A. Pander.	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	On 27th inst., at D'light
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SHANGHAI.	—	—	K. Sugii.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 28th inst., P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CEYLON MARU.	Jap. str.	—	Fred Pyne.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CHENAN.	Brit. str.	—	Owen Jones, R. N. R.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ASSATE.	Brit. str.	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	On 1st April, at Noon.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	FOOKSANG.	Brit. str.	—	Block.	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of April.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ANDALUSIA.	Ger. str.	—	A. Pander.	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	Quick despatch.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TRANQUEBAR.	Dan. str.	—	K. Sugii.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 10th inst., at 10 A.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TULIWONG.	Dut. str.	—	Hodgins.	DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SOSHU MARU.	Jap. str.	—	W. C. Passmore.	DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.	On 25th inst., at 10 A.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HAITANG.	Brit. str.	2 h.	H. A. Hards.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSHALLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HAICHING.	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. H. Rolfe.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
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